

ATC Commissioner Suspends Alcohol License After Prostitution and Drugs Discovered at Houma Bar

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Baton Rouge, LA – The Louisiana Office of Alcohol and Tobacco Control (ATC) Commissioner Troy Hebert ordered C A Daigle LLC d/b/a Wet & Wild Saloon, located at 795 Highway 182 in Houma, to immediately stop selling alcohol after it was discovered that prostitution and drug deals were conducted inside the business.

On August 28, 2015, Commissioner Hebert ordered the suspension of alcohol sales after receiving considerable evidence from Terrebonne Parish Sheriff's Office (TPSO) that the business posed a threat to public safety by allowing the sale of narcotics and permitting prostitution on the premise.

"ATC would like to thank Terrebonne Parish Sheriff Jerry Larpenter and his office for bringing these serious violations to our attention," stated Commissioner Hebert. "We will not tolerate this type of activity at an establishment that we permit," Hebert added.

TPSO undercover agents were able to purchase marijuana, crystal meth, and ecstasy on the location on four different occasions. The undercover agents also were able to setup three different prostitution deals with the entertainers employed at the location. The business was cited by ATC for the following:

- allowing entertainers to improperly expose themselves and engage in lewd and immoral acts:
- failure to report a manager;
- failure to keep employee records;
- violations of live entertainment restrictions;
- and improperly allowing employees to solicit drinks from patrons for a fee.

The owners, Lance and Rachel Smiley, were arrested by TPSO for promoting prostitution, illegal B drinking, pandering, nudity, and keeping a disorderly place.

An administrative hearing will be held on Wednesday, September 9, 2015, concerning the above violations.

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